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The North Carolina Office of Economic Recovery and Investment

On February 17, 2009, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) was passed by Congress and signed into law by President Obama. ARRA provides increased support to several existing federal programs administered by states, creates new programs such as the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund, and offers opportunities for states to apply for competitive grant programs.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act's significant investment in North Carolina totaled almost \$19.5 billion, including assistance for those needing help the most through increases in unemployment benefits, Medicaid payments, and food stamps. In addition to those expanded services, ARRA gives hundreds of thousands of working North Carolinians a break through tax credits like the *Making Work Pay* tax credit and the *First Time Homebuyer's* tax credit.

The Recovery Act is not like earlier attempts to revive the nation's economy. It is not only a one-time infusion of federal funds; instead it is a long-term effort to restore economic expansion in the short-term, as well as prepare the nation's economy for stable, healthy long-term growth. Under the terms of the Recovery Act, support for North Carolina's economy will include both investments made directly by the federal government and investments of federal funds that are made under the oversight of the North Carolina state government.

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Report,

Randolph County

Randolph County received more than \$120 million in ARRA funding in grants, loans, and bonds. The following report outlines the various funding categories that contributed to the Randolph County total.











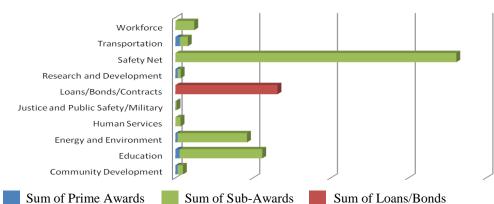
Pell Grant Awards: 1,411

Small Business Jobs: 380

Appliances rebated: 373

Family homes financed: 160

Randolph County Totals



Randolph County,

pop 130,454 at a glance:

Recovery Act Totals:

Grants: \$120,917,854 Loans: \$24,936,242 Bonds: \$1,360,043

Total: 120,917,854



The Recovery Act placed a special emphasis on maintaining education funding. Governor Beverly Perdue furthered this commitment by pledging additional recovery funds from the Recovery Act to education, and leading North Carolina to additional funds by winning \$400 million in the Race to the Top program.

Most of the ARRA education funds are distributed to local schools through existing funding formulas. Special Education Funds and Title I funds go to schools based on eligible student enrollment. State Fiscal Stabilization Funds (SFSF) and the EduJobs grants were designed to hold schools harmless during the recession, and were distributed to public and charter schools. The school systems have spent the majority of the funds on staff and support. Some projects, such as Race to the Top, will be spent for purchasing products and services rather than salaries for staff.

Authorization for low/no interest bonds for school construction/renovation followed the Department of Public Instruction procedures with initial allotments to the school systems. If a school system could not utilize their allotment, it was released to other school systems that could utilize additional allotments.

Randolph County schools received \$27.9 million in education funding, including \$5.0 million in Special Education funds, \$4.9 million in Title I funds, \$12.8 million in SFSF funds, \$2.1 million in Race to the Top funding and a \$1.3 million bond allocation.

Pell Grants are an educational Assistance Program that provides grants to eligible students to receive post-secondary or vocational training. Because Pell Grants are not student loans, they allow students to receive financial assistance to further education and training without incurring additional debt. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act increased the eligibility and the maximum amount of Pell Grants in 2009 and 2010 as a way to encourage educational opportunities, and to provide a way for eligible applicants to gain new job skills.

In Randolph County, had 1,411 students funded by Pell Grants; these grants were worth more than \$1.6 million.



Family Assistance

The Federal Department of Agriculture increased funding to their Single-Family home program with the ARRA. These resources assisted families in achieving the American Dream of home ownership through direct financial assistance (grants) or credit (loan guarantees). This program pumped more than \$729 million into North Carolina, providing assistance to more than 5,400 families.

In Randolph County, 160 families received assistance through this program totaling more than \$20.0 million.

The Department of Energy created the Energy Star Appliance rebate program to help stimulate the economy by incentivizing the purchase of new, more energy efficient appliances, and helping consumers by providing long-term savings from their utility bills. The State Energy Office in the North Carolina Department of Commerce managed the program insuring North Carolina residents and retailers received the maximum benefit from this opportunity. North

Carolina retailers sold more than 25,500 new energy efficiency appliances through this program, and North Carolina residents will enjoy energy savings for years to come. The program was so successful, that the State Energy Office reprogrammed additional funding to provide discounts to everyone participating in the program, bringing the total program value from \$8 up to \$10 Million.

Randolph County retailers sold 373 appliances through the Energy Star Appliance rebate program.



Small Business Assistance

The ARRA provided tax breaks, increased depreciation of business assets, and incentives for hiring for small businesses through the tax law changes found in Part B of the Act. The Recovery Act also established direct aid programs through the federal Small Business Administration (SBA) and US Department of Agriculture (USDA). These programs provided grants, loans and loan guarantees to grant small businesses access to much-needed operational credit during 2009 and 2010.

In Randolph County, 15 small businesses received SBA loan guarantees worth \$4.4 million. According to the small businesses receiving these loans, the Recovery Act saved or created 380 jobs.



Farm Assistance

The Supplemental Revenue Assistance Payments (SURE) Program is administered by the Farm Services Administration in the federal Department of Agriculture, which provides assistance to farmers suffering crop losses due to natural disasters. To qualify for the program a farm must have lost at least 10% of one crop during a natural disaster in a declared disaster county, or lost 50% of a crop during a disaster in a non-disaster county. North Carolina farmers received more than \$9 million in total payments under the ARRA-Funded SURE Program.

In Randolph County, \$33,568 was received in assistance to farmers because of crop loss to natural disasters.



CARS Program

The Car Allowance Rebate Program (CARS), more widely known as the 'Cash-for-Clunkers' program, provided an incentive for drivers of older, energy inefficient vehicles to upgrade to new cars. This program also provided a large economic impact in North Carolina, and North Carolina dealers received more than 18,000 trade-in vehicles through this program. North Carolina Car Dealers sold more than \$400,000,000 worth of new cars (recommended MSRP) through the CARS program. North Carolina drivers will save 172,130 miles per gallon through cars purchased through this program.

In Randolph County, car dealers sold 175 cars worth \$3.8 million through the ARRA CARS program.



Environment and Natural Resources Programs

ARRA funded several programs to protect the environment, or to develop natural resources more efficiently. These programs ranged from environmental clean-up, such as leaking underground storage tank abatement and Brownfields programs, to EPA clean air grants, wildfire prevention grants, and revolving funds to build, expand, or overhaul existing water and sewer programs. These programs provided nearly \$150 million across North Carolina.

In Randolph County, the Town of Liberty, the Town of Trinity, the Town of Franklinville, and the Town of Ramseur received grants for water and sewer upgrades. These grants were worth \$3 million.



Green Energy Programs

One of the goals of ARRA was to provide grants to help conserve energy and assist in the development of a green economy. The State Energy Office in the North Carolina Department of Commerce received large grants for energy conservation under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. These grants include the Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant (EECBG), funded at just under \$20 million, and the State Energy Plan (SEP), funded at \$70 million. The State Energy Office then used these grants to make awards to businesses, non-profits, and local governments for various purposes.

In Randolph County, the FLS Owner II- Acme McCrary, received an SEP grant of \$200,000 for a solar thermal renewable energy project consisting of 200 solar thermal collectors delivering 10,000 gallons of solar heated water daily will be installed at the Acme-McCrary knitted products manufacturing plant in Asheboro.



Safety Net Programs

Safety net programs are the category of ARRA funding that consists of programs designed to help populations made particularly vulnerable by the economic crisis. These generally include increases in existing programs, most notably the increase in both benefit level and duration of unemployment payments. Increases in the amount and duration of unemployment payments makes up the largest chunk of safety net programs funded through the Recovery Act, totaling more than \$3.5 billion statewide over more than two years. Safety net programs such as unemployment insurance and SNAP (formerly known as Food Stamps), not only benefit the recipient, but have a proven economic impact on a community.

Randolph County residents received \$56.5 million in Unemployment Insurance increases during the 2 ½ year ARRA benefits increase. County residents also received \$9.0 million in SNAP benefit increases, and \$6.6 million in one-time payments of \$250 to social security recipients.

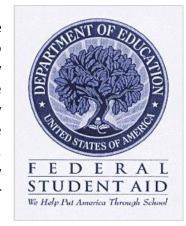
Randolph County received more than \$1 million for Head Start Programs.

Randolph County Feature Story

Students at Randolph Community College Take Advantage of Recovery Opportunities

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provided approximately \$100 billion for education, creating a historic opportunity to save hundreds of thousands of jobs, support states and school districts, and advance reforms and improvements that will create long-lasting results for our students and our nation including early learning, K-12, and post-secondary education.

The Federal Pell Grant Program provides need-based grants to low-income undergraduate and certain post-baccalaureate students to promote access to postsecondary education. Students may use their grants at any one of approximately 5,400 participating postsecondary institutions. These institutions either credit the Federal Pell Grant funds to the student's school account, pay the student directly (usually by check), or combine these methods. Students must be paid at least once per semester (or, in the case of a training program, once per trimester or quarter). Amounts awarded from Pell Grants are dependent on the student's family contribution, the cost of attendance, the student's enrollment status (full-time or part-time), and whether the student attends for a full academic year or less.



The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act allocated \$17.1 billion into the Pell Grant Program nationwide. Not only did this meet a large unmet need for eligible students who are already qualified, the ARRA increased the maximum Pell award for all eligible students \$500 per semester, from \$4,850 to \$5,350. ARRA-funded Pell Grants were awarded to students in the 2009-2010 academic year. In North Carolina, more than 221,000 students received Pell Grants funded through the Recovery Act. These students attended 136 different institutions across the state. These grants were worth more than \$339 million.



Randolph Community College is a public, two-year, comprehensive, community college established to serve the citizens of Randolph County. The college began operation in 1962 as a joint city-county industrial education center under the direction of the Trades and Industrial Division, in the Department of Vocational Education. The North Carolina legislature in 1963 established a separate system of community colleges and the college became part of that system.

Randolph Community College offers degrees in the Associate in Applied Science, Associate in Arts, and Associate in Science degrees, vocational diplomas, and participates in the Recovery-funded 12-in-6 program.

Randolph Community College has an enrollment of around 3,100 credit students. In the 2009-2010 academic year, Randolph Community College had 1,411 students receive Recovery Funded Pell Grants. These grants had a value of more than \$1.6 million.

Appendix, Randolph County breakout

Federal Agency	Program Title	Recipient name	Recipient role ⁱ	Prime Amount ⁱⁱ	Unique Sub Awards ⁱⁱⁱ	Loans	Additional Economic Activity (not counted toward totals) ^{iv}
	Bonds		Р			\$1,360,043.00	0000.07
	Cash for Clunkers		S		\$741,000.00		
	Federal Pell Grant Program	Randolph Community College	Р				
	Very Low to Moderate Income Housing Loans - Guaranteed	Individuals	L			\$20,232,142.76	
Administration for Children and Families	ARRA - Child Care and Development Block Grant	Randolph, County Of	S	\$0.00	\$1,286,732.00	\$0.00	
	ARRA - Head Start	Randolph Community Services, Inc	P	\$221,065.00		\$0.00	\$221,065.00
				\$865,980.00		\$0.00	\$865,980.00
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	ARRA - Immunization	Randolph, County Of	S	\$0.00	\$71,317.00	\$0.00	
Department of Agriculture	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	Multiple Individuals	S		\$9,060,587.56		
Department of Energy	Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program (EECBG)	Jeff Hargett Mechanical Inc.	S	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$37,260.00
	,	Joseph B Millikan	S	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$35,211.25
		Piedmont Triad Council Of Governments	S	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$30,000.00
		Randolph Community College	S	\$0.00	\$154,410.00	\$0.00	
		Randolph County Board Of Education	S	\$0.00	\$41,092.00	\$0.00	
		Randolph, County Of	Р	\$578,200.00		\$0.00	\$495,053.75
	Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons	Randolph Community Services, Inc	S	\$0.00	\$13,343,575.00	\$0.00	
Department of Health and Human Services	Aging Congregate Nutrition Services for	Randolph County Senior Adults	SV	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	

	States						
	Aging Home- Delivered Nutrition Services for States	Randolph County Senior Adults	SV	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Department of Housing and Urban Development	Public Housing Capital Fund Formula (Recovery Act Funded)	Asheboro Housing Authority	Р	\$425,299.00		\$0.00	\$425,299.00
		Central Builders, Inc	PV	\$0.00	\$137,478.00	\$0.00	
		New Randleman Housing Authority	Р	\$147,748.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
		Stogner Architecture, Pa	PV	\$0.00	\$4,216.00	\$0.00	
	Recovery Act of 2009: Capital Improvement and Maintenance	Professional Siding & Window, Inc.	PV	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$63,443.00
		The Davis Company	PV	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$344,962.00
Department of Justice	Recovery Act - Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program / Grants To Units Of Local Government	Randolph, County Of	Р	\$68,999.00		\$0.00	\$68,999.00
	Violence Against Women Formula Grants	Randolph, County Of	S	\$0.00	\$165,539.88	\$0.00	
Department of Labor	Unemployment Insurance	Multiple Individuals	S		\$56,588,324.76		
Environmental Protection Agency	Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds	Liberty, Town Of	S	\$0.00	\$242,569.00	\$0.00	
		Trinity, City Of	S	\$0.00	\$2,403,400.00	\$0.00	
	Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds	Franklinville, Town Of	S	\$0.00	\$30,450.00	\$0.00	
		Ramseur Town Office	S	\$0.00	\$258,786.00	\$0.00	
Federal Highway Administration	Highway Planning and Construction	Apac-Atlantic, Inc Thompson Arthur Division	PV	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$495,122.00
		John Mccracken & Associates, Inc.	PV	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$24,600.00
		North Carolina Department Of Transportation	Р	\$1,180,122.00		\$0.00	\$1,180,122.00
Federal Transit	Formula Grants	Randolph	S	\$0.00	\$331,500.00	\$0.00	

	for Other Than Urbanized Areas	County Senior Adult					
	Orbanized Areas	Association					
Food and	Child Nutrition	Randolph	S	\$0.00	\$25,555.32	\$0.00	
Nutrition	Discretionary	County Board Of					
	Grants Limited	Education					
	Availability ARRA - Grants to	Ainsworth	PV	\$0.00	\$130.00	\$0.00	
	Health Center	Systems	PV	ŞU.UU	\$150.00	Ş0.00	
	Programs	-,					
Administration							
		AV Solutions	PV	\$0.00	\$3,100.00	\$0.00	
		Lorie Kayler	PV	\$0.00	\$1,615.00	\$0.00	
		Lowe's	PV	\$0.00	\$201.52	\$0.00	4
		Medical Resource Center For Randolph County, Inc.	Р	\$173,698.00		\$0.00	\$173,698.00
		County, Inc.		\$395,880.00		\$0.00	\$395,880.00
		Nevaeh	PV	\$0.00	\$33,749.00	\$0.00	
		Se Trogdon	PV	\$0.00	\$204,400.00	\$0.00	
		Sentry Watch	PV	\$0.00	\$181.00	\$0.00	
		Smith Glass	PV	\$0.00	\$1,050.00	\$0.00	
	Energy Efficient		P			\$0.00	\$59,300.00
Office	Appliance Rebate Program (EEARP)						
Office of	Education	Randolph	S	\$0.00	\$82,780.00	\$0.00	
Secondary	Technology State Grants, Recovery Act	County Board Of Education					
	State Fiscal	Asheboro City	S	\$0.00	\$2,523,173.00	\$0.00	
	Stabilization Fund (SFSF) - Education State Grants, Recovery Act	School District					
		Randolph Community College	S	\$0.00	\$445,054.19	\$0.00	
		Randolph	S	\$0.00	\$9,848,853.00	\$0.00	
		County Board Of Education		, i			
	State Fiscal Stabilization Fund (SFSF) - Race-to-the-Top Incentive Grants, Recovery Act	Randolph County Board Of Education	S	\$0.00	\$2,188,448.00	\$0.00	
	Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies, Recovery Act	Asheboro City School District	S	\$0.00	\$1,669,302.00	\$0.00	
		Randolph County Board Of Education	S	\$0.00	\$3,268,117.00	\$0.00	
		Education					
-	Special Education -	Randolph County Board Of	S	\$0.00	\$151,742.00	\$0.00	

Rehabilitative Services	Preschool Grants, Recovery Act	Education					
	Special Education Grants to States, Recovery Act	Asheboro City School District	S	\$0.00	\$1,011,364.00	\$0.00	
		Randolph County Board Of Education	S	\$0.00	\$3,855,571.18	\$0.00	
Small Business Administration	Loans	Abundant Life Inc.	L			\$49,000.00	
		Alpha Academy At Main	L			\$80,300.00	
		Asheboro Inn	L			\$196,000.00	
		Brew Bakes Coffee And Cake	L			\$108,800.00	
		Evergreen Energy Inc	L			\$14,000.00	
		Fox Apparel Inc.	L			\$2,000,000.00	
		G & G Automotive Enterprises I	L			\$150,000.00	
		Green Hill Capital, LLC	L			\$1,020,000.00	
		Jessup Company Inc	L			\$50,000.00	
		Johnson Chiropractic Center	L			\$250,000.00	
		Lonnie Bryant Insurance Servic	L			\$20,000.00	
		Payday Jewelry Loans Inc	L			\$666,000.00	
		Ready Telecom Inc	L			\$65,000.00	
		Scrubby Doo, Inc.	L			\$35,000.00	
SSA	Social Security Economic Recovery Act Payments	Multiple Individuals	Р		\$6,685,500.00		
Grand Total				\$4,056,991.00	\$116,860,863.41	\$26,296,285.76	\$4,915,995.00

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Recipient Role are as follows: P is a prime recipient; S is a Sub-recipient; PV is a vendor to a prime recipient; SV is a vendor to a sub-recipient; L is a loan recipient.

ⁱⁱ Prime Amounts are unique prime awards within a county. These are entities who have received funding directly from a federal agency, and are required to report directly to www.federalreporting.gov

^{III} Unique Sub Awards are amounts that flow into a county from a source that is NOT directly from a Federal Agency. Generally these are funds awarded to the North Carolina State Government that have been directed to a local source.

^{iv} Additional Economic Activity are economic activity attributable to a previous funding category. They may be a sub award by a prime recipient within a county, or a contract funded by one of the previous three columns. This economic activity is not counted toward the county total.